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MINUTES BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION MEETING JULY 14, 2005 QUINCY

BOARD OF FORESTRY MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stan Dixon, Chairman
Kirk Marckwald, Vice Chair
Mark Bosetti
Gary Rynearson
David Nawi
Ronald Nehring

BOARD STAFF:

George Gentry, Executive Officer
Eric Huff, Executive Officer, Foresters Licensing
Chris Zimny, Regulations Coordinator
Mark Hite, Committee Staff
Laura Estrada, Executive Assistant

DEPARTMENTAL STAFF:

Dale Geldert, Director, Forestry and Fire Protection
Duane Shintaku, Assistant Deputy Director, Forest Practice,
Forestry and Fire Protection
Dennis Hall, Chief, Forest Practice, Forestry and Fire Protection
Chris Browder, Deputy Chief, Forest Practice, Forestry and Fire
Protection
Giny Chandler, Chief Counsel, Forestry and Fire Protection
Russ Henly, Assistant Deputy Director, Resource Protection

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dixon called the July 2005 meeting of the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection to order.

Chairman Dixon introduced Susan Carrol, who is the president of the Feather River College.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Dixon asked for Board approval of the June minutes.

07-14-2-Member Nawi moved to approve the June minutes. Member Rynearson seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There was nothing to report.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman was pleased to introduce the new Board member Ron Nehring who was appointed by the Governor and sworn in yesterday with an effective date of July 13, 2005.

Member Nehring is from East San Diego County and is a member of the Board at the Grossmont Union High School District. He also mentioned that he was a victim of the 2003 Cedar Fire. He said that many of the homes on his street were burnt to the ground. Member Nehring said that he is looking forward to being a member of the Board and thanked the Feather River College for their hospitality.

The Chairman commended the host of the field trip, Mr. Jay Francis, Collins Pine Forest for the great field trip. Many of the projects that the Board members saw in the field had to do with fuel reduction.

Mr. Jay Francis thanked all for coming to the field trip.

REPORT OF THE UNIT CHIEF

Unit Chief Henri Brachias gave a brief report on Butte's Unit, which provides Fire Resource Protection to Butte and Plumas counties. Chief Brachias went over his Unit's staff and resources. He indicated that he had with him his Unit Forester, Kenneth Kendrick who is relatively new to the Department. He indicated the Butte is fully staffed at this time.

REPORT OF THE USDA FOREST SERVICE, PLUMAS NATIONAL FOREST, MICHAEL CONDON, FIRE MANAGEMENT OFFICER

Ms. Angie Dillingham, USDA Forest Service, went over the Quincy Library Group projects that are being implemented on Plumas National Forest. The HFQLD has three objectives: 1) Fuel Reduction across the National Forest and, 2) providing forest products for community stability and, 3) watershed restoration.

Ms. Dillingham went over three main goals that the US Forest Service was focusing on. Additionally she went over some of the challenges that they went through while trying to implement the goals. Some of those challenges were the cost benefit ratios of the different kinds of prescriptions. The main overriding constraints on the operation are canopy cover retention and diameter of trees that are left. These constraints make it very hard to implement.

Ms. Dillingham indicated that they have active Fire Safe Councils. Plumas has the largest cadre. In addition, the US Forest service is making progress in improving the forest. Biomass volumes that the US Forest Service was producing two years ago equaled 72,000 cubic feet, and last year it was 146,000 cubic feet. This year they have topped off at 150,000 cubic feet. They are ramping up their ability to treat fuel reduction.

Mr. Michael Condon, Chief of Fire Aviation, Plumas National Forest, gave a brief update on what they are doing to implement the National Fire Plan. He went over what was in place at this time and compared it with what they had regarding their staffing prior to the National Fire Plan. The biggest challenge that they face in their program is because they ramped up fairly quickly it has been difficult filling leadership positions. At this time they are short-staffed two engines. Additionally, Mr. Condon said that by next year they should have full staffing on all of the modules. The U.S. service is well equipped to handle a fire load. The Plumas National Forest has a close cooperative effort with CDF. Mr. Condon also mentioned that they have an aggressive fire treatment program.

REPORT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS: PLUMAS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mr. Bill Powers, Plumas Board of Supervisor's went over two items on fuels reduction and loss of timber production. He distributed a handout to all Board members on these issues.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Dale Geldert, Director, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, reported on six main issues. The first issue was CDF's readiness for fire season. They will be doing something different this year. They will be meeting with all the Unit Chiefs in the north and in the south in meetings in Sacramento. They will be meeting three times a year, so they can be ready for fire season. Flash fuels are the most dangerous for firefighters. The Chief will be meeting with fire chiefs throughout California. He said he would like to meet with them to talk about strategies.

The Director reported that the department's reorganization is almost complete and will be rolling that out to the Board at the next meeting. It involves separating into four regions in the state and the purpose for that is better management on the ground.

The Director met last week with the Sheriff of San Diego County regarding their helicopter program. He felt this was a great collaboration between governments and also a good use of the taxpayer's money.

The Director reported that he would be meeting in Arrowhead on July 20th with Secretary Chrisman regarding all of the work that has been done regarding the Bark Beetle issue.

The Director went over the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission report that came out last year. They took the forty-eight recommendations that came out of that commission and have been working on those and putting them in an action document. The Director feels that the document could be a guideline for the fire service for years to come. Many of those recommendations are ongoing and not just single action items. They will be presenting those recommendations back to the Governor on Tuesday, July 19th.

Member Nawi asked about the Department's budget.

The Director said that there have been changes made regarding the BCP's and will be presenting this report to the Board in next months meeting.

REPORT BY DEPARTMENT CHIEF COUNSEL GINY CHANDLER ON OAKLAND OAH TRAINING SESSION

Ms. Giny Chandler, Chief Counsel, Department of Forestry, reported that she went to the Office of Administrative Law in June and did a two-hour training with them. Ms. Chandler said they discovered that OAL doesn't hear these kind of cases very often. They did an overview of the law and what the statutes are and what the Department's philosophy is when enforcing the statutes. Additionally, she said the ALJ's will limit case assignments to those nine ALJ's that were at the training.

Ms. Chandler indicated that the most important message they tried to get across was the penalty phase. The Department looks at the cost component and the profit component that is achieved by someone who fails to get a conversion exemption or a timber harvest plan for their harvest. Ms. Chandler said that she feels this is an example of what the ALJ's did not have a sense for and is hopeful that when they bring these cases back to them, they will actually pay attention to what was presented to them by the Department. Ms. Chandler said the main focus was to make it unprofitable for someone to violate the act.

REPORT BY DEPARTMENT CHIEF COUNSEL GINY CHANDLER ON THP FILING

Ms. Giny Chandler went over the THP filing process. The Department has been working on a pilot program to put THP's onto a Website so that all participating Agencies can access information, as can the public. The hope is that it will eliminate the amount of paper that is used when filing a THP and possibly speed up the process.

Ms. Chandler reported that in the rules there is no direct statute which states what constitutes written notices for purposes of electronic filing. She said that it would be useful if the Board could provide a policy document out to the Department giving them the Board's interpretation on what they believe constitutes a notice and those instances where the Department can use Electronic Notices.

Member Nawi went over Senator Kuehl's bill. He suggested that the Board authorize the Executive Officer to follow-up on this bill.

Member Rynearson said the bill is very fluid at this point. He asked if the Department has talked to other agencies.

Mr. Duane Shintaku, Assistant Deputy Director, Forest Practice, Forestry and Fire Protection reported that conversations with other departments have been very positive.

REPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA OAK MORTALITY TASK FORCE (COMTF)

Nothing to report.

PRESENTATION BY PLUMAS FIRE SAFE COUNCIL, JERRY HURLEY, COORDINATOR

Mr. Jerry Hurley, Coordinator, Plumas Fire Safe Council gave a Power Point Presentation on Fuel Reduction in the County.

The Council Coordinator gave an overview on how the council has worked on this plan and went over four fire risk mitigation strategies.

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| 1. Home Ignition Zone | 2. Communities at risk Zone |
| 3. Adjacent Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Zone | 4. Extended Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Zone |

The Plumas Fire Safe Council also went over how they view the Emergency Exemption listed below.

1. Extend or make permanent Fuel Exemption.
2. Timing – get THP passed quickly.
3. Stump diameter at thirty inches.
4. Trees at 24-30 inches on the stump.
5. Timing conflicts with other THP's.

Member Bosetti asked what regulatory mechanism's they use.

Mr. Hurley responded by saying the Board's Emergency Exemption.

PRESENTATION BY JONATHAN KUSEL OF SIERRA INSTITUTE FOR COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT. SOCIOECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NORTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

Mr. Jonathan Kusel, Sierra Institute for Community and Environment gave a Power Point presentation on Socioeconomic Conditions in Northeastern California. Mr. Kusel's presentation was on the Sierra, with emphasis on communities and environment. He also went over impacts to communities and the underserved social assessment/indicator use and monitoring. His presentation also focused on forest labor/the mobile workforce. Mr. Kusel said that the Board should think of the well being of rural communities.

HEARING: ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED PERMANENT RULE LANGUAGE FOR AB 2420, FOREST FIRE EXEMPTION, 2005 (AB 2420, LA MALFA)

Mr. Chris Zimny, Regulations Coordinator, went over the first of three public hearings.

Mr. Zimny reported that this hearing is on AB 2420, Fire Prevention Exemption, which is necessary to implement Legislation. This rule streamlines hazardous fuel reduction projects. Mr. Zimny indicated that on tab 15 of the dark blue binder, the Board members will find information regarding this hearing in that tab.

The proposed regulation addresses wildfire issues by treating surface, ladder and crown fuels, for reduction of fire hazard. It is needed for immediate and long term preservation of the public peace, health and safety and the general welfare. The treatments required by AB 2420 include reducing tree crowns to no less than 40-60 percent crown closure, increasing height to live crown base distance to greater than eight feet, reduction of surface fuel to meet a four foot flame length fire behavior objective, and limited removal of trees less than 18-24 inches stump diameter with prioritization on removal of smaller trees.

Mr. Zimny went over the substantive requirements and limitations of the proposed regulation.

Member Rynearson indicated that the Board received a letter dated July 8, 2005 from CDF and said that it is his understanding that all the CDF changes have been incorporated in this document.

Mr. Dennis Hall, Chief, Forest Practice, Forestry and Fire Protection, reported that the Department submitted a brief letter regarding AB 2420. As Member Rynearson indicated, the Department did work through Committee on many of the issues. CDF supports adoption of these rule changes and intends to monitor the application of these rules carefully to ensure they are applied in a manner that meets the intent of the legislation that led to their adoption. Mr. Hall did note that under the Board's emergency rules, CDF has received seven Forest Fire Prevention Exemptions to date to treat approximately 250 acres, primarily in the Northern Forest District.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Paul Mason, Sierra Club, supports this package and was pleased to work with Assemblymen La Malfa and the California Forestry Association. He felt that it is a good way to be it more cost effective.

07-14-15 Member Rynearson requested that public hearing be closed. Member Bosetti seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Member Nawi made a motion to pass proposed additional rule changes 14 CCR § 1038 (e), 1038 (i) and 1038.2 of the Forest Practice Rules presented in the 45-day notice for AB 2420. Member Rynearson seconded the motion.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote:

Bosetti	Aye
Marckwald	Aye
Rynearson	Aye
Nawi	Aye
Nehring	Aye
Dixon	Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Member Ryneearson asked for the record to reflect this particular legislation and the enactment of this regulation and to remind the Board that they have been requested by the legislature to monitor the implementation.

HEARING ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED RULE LANGUAGE FOR ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN, 2005 (RMP)

Mr. Zimny reported that this particular regulation has been considered over the last two years. The goal is to provide regulatory opportunities and consistency to timberland owners. This regulation is voluntary for landowners and not mandatory.

The RMP provides a means for addressing long-term issues of sustained timber production and cumulative watershed effects from the transportation system on fish, wildlife, the beneficial uses of water, and watersheds on a landscape basis. A RMP specifies measures to be applied to a forest transportation system to protect, maintain, and enhance the beneficial use of water and other environmental resources consistent with the objectives of the timberland owner.

The RMP provides the timberland owner and agencies a voluntary process to evaluate and reach solutions on limiting factors for anadromous fisheries and other beneficial uses of water. Those solutions are memorialized in a document that receives discretionary approval to allow subsequent tiering of THPs. The objective is a reduction in overall complexity and improved watershed level impact analysis.

Board received three letters. They were from the Department of Fish and Game, CDF, and from Sharon Duggan.

Member Ryneearson recommended that the Board have the Sharon Duggan letter reviewed by Department counsel and then bring it back with changes in August. It was also suggested that the public hearing be left open.

Member Ryneearson suggested that the Board work with the Department and staff.

Member Nawi agreed with member Ryneearson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Paul Mason, Sierra Club, reported that he opposed the rule package and supports Sharon Duggan's comments. He felt that there was lack of clarity.

Mr. Richard Gienger said that he did not feel it was fair to Sharon Duggan to say the letter was received last minute. It was submitted Friday. If a Road Management Plan is going to happen, the Board needs to look at the SNTMP. The Road Management Plan needs to be a stand-alone document. The plan needs to be implemented with a THP or without a THP. The plan needs to be done legally.

Mr. Jim Ostroski, Timber Products Company, commented that many of Duggan's issues are confusing to potential users. He said it should be looked at as an outline.

07-14-15 Member Ryneearson made a motion to leave hearing open and table this matter for next month. Co Chair Marckwald seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Co Chair Marckwald additionally said this should go back to counsel.

Mr. Bruce Reeves said that he would work with Ms. Chandler on this matter.

07-14-15 Member Nawi made a motion that the Board consult on this matter with counsel and the Regulations Coordinator. Member Nehring seconded the motion and all were in favor.

HEARING ON ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED RULE LANGUAGE FOR TRANSITION SILVICULTURE METHOD, 2005

Mr. Chris Zimny reported that the Amendments propose regulatory relief. Mr. Zimny referred to page three of the notice of proposed rulemaking on the two substantial changes. The regulation as outlined by Mr. Zimny:

The Board proposes to amend the following sections of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (14 CCR)

Amend: §913.2(b)[933.2(b), 953.2(b)] Regeneration Methods Used in Unevenaged Management; Transition

Amend: §913.11©(1)&(2) [933.11©(1)&(2), 953.11©(1)&(2)] Maximum sustained Production of High Quality Timber Products

The proposed changes to the Forest Practice Rules make the transition method a more useful method to small landowners, particularly to those with a NTMP, which requires the use of unevenaged silvicultural methods. The transition method is the removal of trees individually or in small groups from irregular or unevenaged stands to create a balanced unevenaged stand structure and to obtain natural reproduction.

Mr. Dennis Hall, Forest Practice, Forestry and Fire Protection, submitted a letter. In general, CDF supports the concept of allowing small landowners the flexibility to develop balanced stands for management under unevenaged silvicultural systems in areas where the current rules preclude this method of regeneration. CDF recognizes that the current rules may be restrictive to some small landowners in specific areas of the state such as some northeastern-forested areas where the site potential for growing trees is low. Mr. Hall questioned the need to apply these changes to the Coast Forest District and other "high site" timberlands.

Additionally, the existing rules would prevent such stands from being included in a non-industrial timber management plan or otherwise managed through an unevenaged system. CDF recommended the proposed changes apply only to the Northern and Southern Forest Districts and not the Coast Forest District until the need has been adequately demonstrated.

Mr. Hall also went over the Board's proposal to delete existing language that defines a suitable stand for treatment under the "Transition" silvicultural method in terms of basal area.

Mr. Roy Richards reported that he could not accept option 1.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Chantz Joyce, CLFA, said that CLFA supports retaining the limitation and encourages the Board to support Mr. Richard's proposal.

Mr. Paul Mason, Sierra Club, commented that he opposes the whole package.

Mr. Roy Richards said that he would agree to go with option one with 50 square feet. If it is a problem, he will come back to the Board.

Mr. Dennis Hall, said the Department would agree to that change.

Member Ryneanson made a motion to move that the Board accept that package as prepared and to incorporate 2,3 and 4 from CDF's letter dated July 8, 2005 and accept option one. Member Bosetti seconded the motion.

Chairman Dixon asked for a roll vote.

Marckwald	Aye
Ryneanson	Aye
Nawi	Aye
Nehring	Abstention
Dixon	Aye

The motion passed with one abstention.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEES

CALIFORNIA FOREST PEST COUNCIL

Nothing to report.

RANGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RMAC)

Mr. George Gentry announced that RMAC had one action item and he asked for approval from the Board on a vacancy that the Range Management Committee has at this time. The candidate is Scott Carnegie.

07-14-18 Co Chair Marckwald made a motion to approve the nomination of Scott Carnegie. Member Bosetti seconded the motion and all were in favor.

MONITORING STUDY GROUP (MSG)

Mr. George Gentry distributed the Board of Forestry Monitoring Study Group Update for July 2005 to all Board members and went over this handout. The MSG met on July 7th at the CDF Shasta-Trinity Unit Headquarters in Redding. Mr. Gentry went over the key agenda item highlights. The next MSG meeting is scheduled for September 22, with the location still to be determined.

PROFESSIONAL FORESTERS EXAMINING COMMITTEE (PFEC)

Mr. Eric Huff, Executive Officer, Foresters Licensing, noted the passing of Paul E. Crebbin RPF No. 328 and Alfred E. Sheppard, RPF No. 848.

Regarding the exam, 54% was the passing rate. There were 12 applicants and 30% passed.

Mr. Eric Huff asked for approval on the following applicants who have met the requirements of PRC §769 for licensing as Registered Professional Foresters (RPF's), having successfully completed the examination administered on April 15, 2005.

Mr. Steven W. Narolski, RPF No. 2795	Mr. Jason D. Cushman, RPF No. 2796
Mr. Ryan Patrick Crans, RPF No. 2797	Mr. Geronimo LaVan Zuniga, RPF No. 2798
Mr. Andrew G. Morse, RPF No. 2799	Mr. Erik D. Wahl, RPF No. 2800
Mr. Rick P. Carr, RPF No. 2801	Mr. Eric Paul O'Kelley, RPF No. 2802
Mr. Joseph W. Fazio, RPF No. 2803	Mr. Colby J. Forrester, RPF No. 2804

Mr. Sterling Griffin, RPF No. 2805
Mr. Forrest Costales, RPF No. 2807
Mr. Travis E. Erickson, RPF No. 2809
Mr. Brian Scott Renner, RPF No. 2811
Mr. Timothy Warren Meyers, RPF No. 2813

Mr. Lance M. Purdy, RPF No 2806
Ms. Danielle E. Banchio, RPF No. 2808
Mr. Mitchell C. Haydon, RPF No. 2810
Mr. Rryan Willis, RPF No. 2812

07-14-18 Member Ryneearson made a motion to approve the above listed applicants who successfully passed the RPF exam. Member Nawi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) AND MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR JACKSON DEMONSTRATION STATE FOREST (JDSF)

Mr. Russ Henly, Assistant Deputy Director, Resource Protection, reported that he had a meeting on June 23, 2005, regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) with Member Nawi in attendance and Member Ryneearson via conference call. Mr. Henly indicated that it was a positive meeting. The only part of the DEIR that is not done is the wildlife component.

Cumulative effects are in internal review and should be completed by next week.

Member Nawi said that the Department has gone out of its way to ensure the product is good. Additionally, he said that the administrative draft could be ready by September. The goal is for committee to review and adequate DEIR.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

REPORT OF THE SENSITIVE WATERSHEDS NOMINATIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE (SWNRC)

Mr. George Gentry reported on the Sensitive Watershed meeting. He went over the 2nd part on goals and objectives.

Member Ryneearson asked if the Board was getting briefed on the WDEIR.

Mr. Gentry said yes.

Chairman Dixon commended Mr. Gentry on all his work he has done with the Sensitive Watershed Committee.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE (FPC)

Member Ryneearson reported that the Committee met yesterday morning and went over the main agenda items.

Member Ryneearson went over the Stewardship NTMP and said that two issues were resolved. They went over the Fish and Game watercourse issue as well as the differences between the Department and CLFA on streamlining. In addition Mr. Pete Cafferata gave a presentation.

Member Ryneearson also sent over the SNTMP and said they received the re-write. It should be ready next month.

Member Rynearson went over the Performance Based Slash Rule. Dennis Hall gave a presentation on this subject matter. It was suggested that a 45-day notice be given on the rule package.

07-14-20 Member Bosetti made a motion to give 45-day notice for rulemaking on Performance Based Slash Rules. Member Nawi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Member Rynearson went over the Tahoe Rule and said that the Committee does not have a permanent rule ready for this.

State Board of Equalization – Board to review Timber Harvest Manual. The Board will write a letter to the Board of equalization.

07-14-20 Co Chair Marckwald made a motion that the Board is to draft a letter to the Board of Equalization. Member Bosetti seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Member Rynearson said that the Road Rules Sub-Committee has a 36-page document regarding organization of existing rule.

POLICY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (PMC)

Member Nawi went over the draft letter that went out to the Department of Fish and Game Commission. The final draft will be in August for Committee review and to go to the full Board.

Member Nawi said that there is pending legislation on E-filing. The Department has concerns on what E-filing would require. Mr. Nawi requested the Board to sanction Executive Officer George Gentry to meet with the Author's staff on the regulatory time limits.

07-14-20 Member Rynearson made a motion on the Executive Officer to meet with legislative staff on time requirements. Member Bosetti seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Member Nawi went over the Board's draft policy statement.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE (RPC)

Member Bosetti went over implementing regulations on SB 1369. Staff and the Department have been engaged on this and the goal is to have a draft language on wording and may possibly be completed by next August for a 45-day notice.

Member Bosetti went over the 5-year review on State Responsibility Area, which is a process mandated by Public Resources Code Section 4125. It was suggested that it be moved to a public hearing.

Mr. Chris Zimny said that they would hold a public hearing. The Board needs to move this to public hearing on a 30-day notice.

07-14-20 Member Rynearson made a motion that the Board forward on a public hearing on a 30-day notice. Co Chair Marckwald seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Member Bosetti gave an update of the California Fire Plan and said that a draft was provided in the premail.

The Range Management Advisory Committee, (RMAC) completed its VMP review. This will be scheduled for next month's meeting.

Member Bosetti went over a letter from the Director, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, that was addressed to Mr. Bernie Weingardt, Regional Forester, USFS, on keeping the nursery at the current location in Davis and not moving forward on changing the location to Placerville.

The Regulations Coordinator attended training on the Community Wildfire Protection Program in Oregon.

REPORT OF THE REGULATIONS COORDINATOR

Mr. Chris Zimny, Regulations Coordinator, went over the regulations that were discussed in the Board meeting. Additionally, he said that there would be a light hearing schedule for the August Board meeting.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mr. George Gentry, Executive Officer for the Board, commended Board staff, Ken Kendrick and Mr. Brachais for the trip coordination.

Mr. Gentry also complemented Mr. Jay Francis for the field trip.

PUBLIC FORUM: Members of the public may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the Chairman.

Mr. Richard Gienger expressed appreciation on Collins Pine and Jay Francis for the fieldtrip.

Mr. Gienger said it was inspiring to see what Collins Pine has done. He suggested that the Board look at the Garcia River Project.

Mr. Gienger encouraged the Buckeye Conservancy to keep moving forward.

Mr. Gienger announced that there would be two workshops on restoration. Additionally, he extended his appreciation to Mr. George Gentry on his work with the Elk River and MSG Committees.

Mr. Bill Key, California Licensed Forest Association, (CLFA), gave a brief orientation on CLFA's white papers. The series of three White Papers was prepared in response to the 2003 FRAP report. Additionally, he said that the 2003 FRAP Report and the Board need to come up with a report based on information from the white papers. Copies of each of the White Papers are posted under "What's new(s)" on the CLFA website, www.clfa.org

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Co Chair Marckwald announced to the Board that he appreciates the work the Board has done in his absence. He said that he would make a better effort in the future to be present at the Board meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the July 14, 2005 meeting of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

George D. Gentry
Executive Officer

Stan Dixon
Chairman

Copies of the attendance sheets can be obtained from the Board Office.